IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Bernard Y. Malo

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For:

LOCALIZED ANNEALING OF UV INDUCED INDEX GRATING IN OPTICAL

WAVEGUIDES

Customer No. 47389

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 31, 2007

In response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 31, 2007, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AVAN/000419/WCG for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.